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- (2) Certify to the validity of obligations as required by 31 U.S.C. 200 and to the adequacy of bond coverage for the designations under section 160(c)(2).
- (3) Sign reports on Budget Execution as required by OMB Circular A-34 (Revised).
- (4) Review and approve for payment any voucher for \$25 or less the authority for payment of which is questioned by a certifying or disbursing officer.
- (5) Process essential air service payments.
- (6) Approve claims of OST employees allowable under 31 U.S.C. 3721 for amounts of \$500 or less.

[Amdt. 1–209, 51 FR 29233, Aug. 15, 1986, as amended by Amdt. 1–232, 54 FR 46616, Nov. 6, 1989; 69 FR 60563, Oct. 12, 2004]

§ 1.60 Delegations to the Inspector General.

The Inspector General is delegated, and has agreed to carry out, the following:

- (a) Aviation economics. The conduct of audits under 49 U.S.C. 1389; and 49 U.S.C. 1377(e).
 - (b) [Reserved]

[Amdt. 1–199, 49 FR 50997, Dec. 31, 1984, as amended at 69 FR 60563, Oct. 12, 2004]

§ 1.61 Delegations to Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs.

The Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs is delegated authority to:

- (a) Establish procedures for responding to Congressional correspondence.
- (b) Serve as the Department's point of contact in relationships with public and private organizations and groups devoted to consumer and community services or affairs.
- (c) Serve as coordinator for intra-Departmental consumer affairs programs.

[Amdt. 1–157, 45 FR 83409, Dec. 18, 1980, as amended by Amdt. 1–199, 49 FR 50997, Dec. 31, 1984; Amdt. 1–205, 50 FR 52468, Dec. 24, 1985; Amdt. 1–269, 60 FR 15877, Mar. 28, 1995]

§ 1.62 Delegations to the Director of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization.

The Director of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization is delegated authority to:

(a) Exercise Departmental responsibility for the implementation and execution of functions and duties under sections 8 and 15 of the Small Business Investment Act, as amended (15 U.S.C. 637 and 644).

(b) Carry out the functions vested in the Secretary by section 906 of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 (Pub. L. 94– 210), as amended.

[Amdt. 1-157, 45 FR 83409, Dec. 18, 1980]

§ 1.63 Delegations to Assistant to the Secretary and Director of Public Affairs.

The Assistant to the Secretary and Director of Public Affairs is delegated authority to:

- (a) [Reserved]
- (b) Monitor the overall public information program and review and approve Departmental informational materials having policy-making ramifications before they are printed and disseminated.
- (c) Carry out the functions vested in the Secretary by section 4(b) (as appropriate) of Executive Order 11912.
- (d) Carry out the functions to promote carpooling and vanpooling which were vested in the Federal Energy Administration by section 381(b)(1)(B) of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act and transferred to the Department of Transportation by section 310 of the Department of Energy Organization Act of 1977.

[Amdt. 1–113, 40 FR 43901, Sept. 24, 1975, as amended by Amdt. 1–118, 41 FR 35849, Aug. 25, 1976; Amdt. 1–157, 45 FR 83409, Dec. 18, 1980; Amdt. 1–184, 48 FR 44079, Sept. 27, 1983; Amdt. 1–228, 54 FR 10010, Mar. 9, 1989; Amdt. 1–261, 59 FR 10064, Mar. 3, 1994]

§ 1.64 Delegations to the Director, Transportation Administrative Service Center.

The Director, Transportation Administrative Service Center (TASC), is delegated authority to operate the Working Capital Fund (49 U.S.C. 327).

[Amdt. 1-285, 62 FR 16499, Apr. 7, 1997]

§1.65 Authority to classify information.

(a) E.O. 12356 confers upon the Secretary of Transportation authority to originally classify information as Secret and Confidential with further authorization to delegate this authority.

(No official of the Department of Transportation has authority to originally classify information as Top Secret.)

- (b) The following delegations of this authority, which may not be redelegated, are hereby made:
- (1) Office of the Secretary (OST). Chief, Security Staff.
- (2) Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). The Administrator; Director of Civil Aviation Security.
- (3) Maritime Administration (MARAD). The Administrator; Associate Administrator for Policy and Administration (Confidential only); Director, Office of International Activities (Confidential only); Chief, Division of National Security Plans (Confidential only).
- (c) Authority to originally classify information as Secret or Confidential is delegated to the following officials to become effective automatically upon declaration of civil readiness level Initial Alert or the comparable military readiness level. If invoked, this authority is automatically terminated when both civil and military levels return to the level of Communications Watch or comparable readiness state
- (1) OST. Deputy Secretary; Assistant Secretary for Transportation Policy; Assistant Secretary for Aviation and International Affairs; Assistant Secretary for Administration.
- (2) FAA. Deputy Administrator; Directors, FAA Regions and Centers.
- (3) MARAD. Deputy Administrator; Region Directors; Heads of ALFA, BRAVO, and CHARLIE Emergency Teams when activated.
- (d) Although the delegations of authority are expressed above in terms of positions, the authority is personal and is vested only in the individual occupying the position. The authority may not be exercised "by direction of" a designated official. The formal appointment or assignment of an individual to one of the identified positions, a designation in writing of an individual to act in the absence of one of these officials, or the exercise by an individual of the powers of one of these officials by operation of law, however, conveys the authority to originally classify information.

(e) Previous delegations of authority to Department of Transportation officials to originally classify information as Secret and Confidential are hereby rescinded.

[Amdt. 1–195, 49 FR 26594, June 28, 1984, as amended by Amdt. 1–261, 59 FR 10061, 10064, Mar. 3, 1994; 68 FR 34550, June 10, 2003]

§ 1.66 Delegations to Maritime Administrator.

With the exception of those authorities delegated to the Maritime Subsidy Board in §1.67 of this title, the Maritime Administrator is delegated authority to:

- (a) Carry out sections 9, 12, 14a, 21a, 37, 38, 40, 41, and 42 of the Shipping Act, 1916, as amended (46 App. U.S.C. 801 *et seq.*):
- (b) Carry out the Merchant Marine Act, 1920, as amended (46 App. U.S.C. 861 et seq.), including the Ship Mortgage Act, 1920, as amended (46 App. U.S.C. 921 et seq.);
- (c) Carry out the Merchant Marine Act, 1928, as amended (46 App. U.S.C. $891\ et\ seq.$);
- (d) Carry out section 7 of the Intercoastal Shipping Act, 1933, as amended (46 App. U.S.C. 843 et seq.);
- (e) Carry out the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended (46 App. U.S.C. 1101 et seq.); except the authority delegated to the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration relating to the establishment of capital construction fund agreements under section 607 thereof and the granting of financing guarantees under title XI thereof, with respect to vessels in the fishing trade or industry;
- (f) Carry out the Merchant Ship Sales Act of 1946, as amended (50 U.S.C. App. 1735 *et seq.*);
- (g) Carry out the Suits in Admiralty Act (1920), as amended (46 App. U.S.C. 741 *et sea.*);
- (h) Carry out the Civilian Nautical School Act, 1940 (46 App. U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.*);
- (i) Carry out the Act of June 2, 1951 (46 App. U.S.C. 1241a) regarding the "Vessel Operations Revolving Fund";
- (j) Carry out the Act of August 9, 1954 (50 U.S.C. 196 *et seq.*) commonly called the Emergency Foreign Vessels Acquisition Act;